



FOIA REQUEST
Jessie Pierce to: FOIA HQ

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To Whom It May Concern:

Please confirm receipt of the attached letter, I will also be sending the original letter this afternoon and it should arrive in the mail in the next few days. If you have any questions feel free to contact myself or Daniel I. Gordon.

Best,
Jessie

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November 7, 2013

Mr. Larry Gottesman
National Freedom of Information Officer
(2822T)
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20460

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

Dear Mr. Gottesman,

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, I request the following documents:

- Any document indicating which company ultimately received the contract or order for the items that were the subject of the bid protest of Haworth, Inc., addressed in the decision of the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) issued on November 8, 2011, under GAO's docket number B-405807.2 (a copy of that decision is enclosed). The GAO decision states that the Environmental Protection Agency had earlier awarded a contract to Herman Miller for the items under request for quotations No. RFQ-561822. The GAO decision states that, after the protest was filed, EPA agreed to reevaluate quotations and make a new award decision. *Our FOIA request thus goes to actions taken by EPA AFTER November 9, 2011 (the date of the GAO decision): we are requesting any documents from after that date indicating that EPA awarded a contract or order to Haworth, Inc., or another company, or affirmed the earlier award to Herman Miller for the goods covered by the request for quotations.*
- If the request for quotations was cancelled, any document indicating cancellation.

For your information, this request is part of research undertaken here at the George Washington University Law School aimed at learning what ultimately happens in procurements that are protested to GAO. Please note that the intent is not to burden you with a request for multiple documents. If one document indicates the outcome – for example, indicating the names of the recipient of a contract or order for the shipping containers and related items (after issuance of GAO's October 2011 decision), or indicating cancellation of the RFP, one document is all that I request.

I would prefer to receive this information electronically, but I am happy to accommodate your agency. If you prefer to send a hard copy, my mailing address is:

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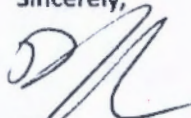
Although this request is made for the purpose of academic research, I am willing to pay any reasonable fees that must be paid to complete this request. If a fee waiver would require additional time, my preference is to pay any fees that would expedite the request.

If you must deny any part of this request, please be so kind as to cite each specific reason for declining to release the information.

If you have any questions processing this request, please do not hesitate to contact me at (202) 994-4546 or dgordon@law.gwu.edu.

Thank you in advance for your timely response and cooperation.

Sincerely,



Daniel I. Gordon
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Enclosure